



Senator Bill Hansell is serving in his second term in the state legislature representing District 29, which encompasses parts of seven counties located in Eastern Oregon. His district is rural and is the third largest in Oregon, the size of the State of Maryland.

Previously, Senator Hansell served as an Umatilla County Commissioner, being elected to eight consecutive terms. During his service he was President of the National Association of Counties, President of the Association of Oregon Counties, and served on various boards and committees. Presently, as a State Senator, Hansell is a member of the Senate Joint Committee on Ways and Means, the Sub-Committee on Transportation and Economic Development, the Senate Workforce Committee, the Joint Legislative Administration Committee, the Joint Committee on Conduct, the Joint Oregon China Sister State Committee, as well as a member of the Emergency Board. In addition, Hansell was appointed to several boards, some of which include: the Hanford Clean-up board, the Oregon Growth Board, the University Governance work group, the Transient Lodging Tax work group, and the Energy and Environment Committee for the Pacific Northwest Economic Region.

In addition to his over thirty-four years of electoral office, Senator Hansell has been active in his community and church. He has been a coach, youth group leader, 4-H and FFA supporter, member of two chambers of commerce, high school booster club member, and Sunday School teacher. He was selected as Athena Citizen of the Year for his many areas of community service.

Senator Hansell is a Graduate of the University of Oregon and has earned a Harvard JFK School of Government Certificate. Hansell was born and raised in

Athena where his family has farmed for four generations. He and his wife Margaret have been married 50 years and have raised six grown children and are proud grandparents to nine grandchildren.

CSG & CSG West participation includes: 2013 Western Legislative Academy (WLA); 2017 Tolls Fellowship; 2017-18 Board Member, Legislative Council on River Governance (LCRG); 2019-20 Vice Chair, Water & Environment Committee; 2019-20 CSG West Executive Committee member